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## Father Charged With 4-Year-Old Daughter's Death

The father of a 4-year-old girl was charged today with her death over the weekend in South Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Charles Richard Lee (dob 4/15/95) was charged in case BA473340 with one count of assault on a child causing death. He is scheduled to be arraigned today in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Deputy District Attorney Colby Cano of the Complex Child Abuse Section, Family Violence Division, is prosecuting the case.

Prosecutors said the victim was dropped off at her father's home in the 1500 block of East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street several weeks ago. Over the course of that time, Lee allegedly physically abused her.

On Dec. 2, paramedics responded to the home where they found the girl unresponsive and took her to a nearby hospital.

If convicted as charged, Lee faces a possible maximum sentence of 25 years to life in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.